

whatever weapon they could would or

a mob which went circling round and

eighth New York, followed by a portion

again, but always to be beaten back.

It is a o'clock, and the fight still

of the plateau. Half an hour later the

only increased the panic.

panic stricken thousands. Mounted of-

wall menaced them, the bayonets point-

surge the living wave dissolved the

CHAPTER II.

cannot comprehend the insanity of ex-

citement which accompanies the pas-

sage of each fateful day. We of the north

were delaying, hoping, trying to make

averted, though no one could tell how.

acting. No man in any southern com-

munity dared talk of peace. While the

brigades into camp and planned a cam-

The streets of every city echoed the

flags and rippling banners, the march-

'Then this is war? Men who have

written of war have deceived us. There

is no suffering, no wounded, no dead,

But historians had not deceived them.

They were deceiving themselves. The

beginning of war is merriment and

of marble headstones bearing the single

Let us also foin in the march."

said to each other:

until it reached the Potomac.

nect the chain of events.

CHAPTER L. The day and date is the 21st of July, kill. It was the right of a mob. It was

The scene is the battleground of first round the battery long ago disabled by

Bull Run, a field made memorable for- the killing of all its horses. The Thirty-

From daybreak to high moon the Fed- of the Fire Zonaves, went forward yelleral army under McDowell has been ing and cheering, but they came too late thoving down on the Confederate posi- to save all the guns. The Confederates tion selected weeks ago by the generals held the ground and retained three of the ld in the strategy of war. On the flanks pieces. As Jackson rides forward the brigades have grappled in the open company from the Shenandoah valley is fields, regiments have dashed at each dragging one of the captured guns to the other in the forests and thickets. Here rear. a little ground has been gashed, there a "Who commands this company?" little lost. It has been the skirmishing asked the general, looking in vain for a which precedes every battle, locating the commissioned officer, enemy, testing his readiness, drawing

his strength and uncovering his designs. but no one replied. The hear is high near. The Confederate front has been pressed back, the your licutemants?" he demanded. left wing shattered. Men looking down on the battlefield from the bills of Cen- a private who was bareheaded and confterville have every movement in plain [188], "but the boss we are workin unview. At 12 o'clock the battle is won der jest now is that at' Yankee with for the Federals. Hee, Barslow and the flag! Evans, who have held the Confederate | Jackson was about to speak further center, have been besten back by Burn- when an aid delivered an order, and he side, Sykes and Porter. They give way rode hurrielly away. There is no more slowly and grudgingly, fighting as they fighting on this front. To the right and break back, and they are trying to rally. Left the Federals charge again and when there is a clatter of bayonets being fixed to muskets, and a thousand. Did they number twice as many they men rush forward at the double quick. | could not dislodge the Confederates from It is the New York Twenty-seventh, and the plateau. Nature made it for the key Colonel Slocum leads it, the first bayoutt or a battlefield. charge of the war-"Forward! Forward!" And the wedge drives into the rages fiercely. It is 4 o'clock, and the Confederate center and tells the frag. Federals are still battering at the slopes ments right and lett.

The cheering is heard a mile away volleys of musketry suddenly increase above the noise of battle. The Federal in volume, the artillery redoubles its center moves forward to pursue the shat- fire, there is wild cheering all along the make no great difference anyhow," said | terial may be used, as cloth over velvet, tered enemy, and couriers ride away Confederate front. Johnston's troops with the news, "We have pierced the have come up from the valley. He

Confederate center and won the day!" throws them into the battle, and the Behind the flying Confederates is a Federals are driven back. The Confedplateau of 800 acres, comprising two or perates posh forward in pursuit, and the three farms. There are two or three troops who were giving way slowly and tarmhouses, orchards, meadows, thick- retiring in good order suddenly become ets of pine, barren fields. Here is Stone- panic stricken. wall Jackson with 5,000 men in reserve. The fragments of brigades, regiments | else in its foolishness, in its madness, in and companies are harled back to the that feeling of terror which makes servslopes of this plateau to be rallied the cowards of brave men for a few and reformed behind the reserves. Cou- hours. In 80 minutes from the first riers ride away to Beauregard to ask for | wild shouts of alarm the highways leadmore artillery, infantry and cavalry. Ing back to Centerville were choked and while the Federals pause to replen- with the shattered, disorganized and ish their cartridge boxes and gird up fleeing Federal commands. Here and their loins for a last struggle 5,000 fresh there feeble attempts were made to Confederates are hurrying forward to check the terrified mob, but each effort

Noon becomes 1 o'clock. The skir- What were they fleeing from? Death?

would have perched on their banners. , caissons, drawn by horses which seemed the Confederate 5,000 have become 10. - turned in from the fields at a mad galhave become 20.

A majority of the troops are fresh but they know from what they flee. and their nerves unshaken, and all are Rushing into the highways, fighting each other as they struggled to reach

ready for the grapple.

Thirteen thousand Federals move the van, stumbling, falling, a chill of against the plateau at different points fear upon every heart, the army which almost as one man, and the battle opens | had fought so well and long streamed with a great crash. Under General into the hamlet of Centerville. There Jackson's immediate orders are five or | was no pursuit. There wasn't a brigade six regiments. On the right of his line in the Confederate army in condition to is a Virginia regiment. On the right of | pursue, nor was the extent of the Fedthat regiment is a company from the | eral disaster known to Confederate offi-Shenandosh valley. They have not been | cers. | Here was a strong position, and | in action yet. As the Federals move here it was that troops who had not been up to the attack Rickett's Federal but- in action were formed across the hightery, supported by a Minnesota regi- way leading to Washington to check the



"Halt, men, halt! Those who are not

countrds will follow me: ment, are in front of Jackson's men. The battery is wheeling into position, when the Virginia regiment is ordered to charge it. With a wild cheer, the command dashes forward, but to meet with such a withering volley from the western men that it falls back in confusion. Let us follow the company on the right. As it falls back its captain is left lying on the field. The first lieutenant should be in command, but neither he nor his fellow officer seeks to rally the disorganized men. The company is breaking back in a mob right under Jackson's eyes, when a private drum. That generation knew nothing face. "Do you find any neutral men in seizes the flag from the panic stricken color bearer and shouts:

'Halt, men, halt! Those who are not cowards will follow me!"

It was too late to raily the company as a whole. It was breaking back on the reserve, headed by its two lieutenants, but at the call to rally about 30 of the men turned and raised a cheer and followed the flag. The sight of the flag and the echo of the cheers put heart into the beaten regiment. Something like order came out of confusion, and a moment later two-thirds of the regient were fighting over the guns. The ther regiments of the brigade moved up, and they came just in time. The be forgotten spring days of 1861, re- for or against your adopted state. First Michigan and Fourteenth New York were charging up to support the | men and women. The scene is the an- | the routes are still open. If you wish Minnesota men and save the guns.

of an hour 5,000 men fought with spot of the Old Dominion. Under cover ence you. Be guided by your own conbayonet, with clubbed muskets, with of a wooden awning sheltering the front | science. Tomorrow we will settle all

of the old store and postoffice two men are seated at a table borrowed somewhere for the occasion. One of them the other is in citizen's dress and has a list of names on a paper before him. Hear what the captain is saying to the

or eight deep before him. "We want 60 more men to till op this company. Within a week we shall be young men and good men. Now, then, you all who want to go to war and see some fan put your names down on this | fellers right on to captur' Washington paper. You, there, Steve Brayton, step and ole Abe Lincoln!

'How long shall we ams be gone,

captnin "I recken on 60 days." "Then I'll put down."

"And I!

Say, captain," called a young farmer from the rear rank of the crowd, 'can't yo make the time 30 days? The old man's feelin porely this spring, and



company

he can't do no farm work. I'd like to go along with yo' all, but I can't spare | Overskirts that fall in points, either over 30 days. Make it 30 days, and I'll three or five, always having one point put down.

captain as he stood up to look over the full enough at the top for the present crowd, "You'see, we've got to get there, fashion, it is an easy matter to cut out wherever it is, and then we've got to the points below. But if the top is too have a fight or two and march around, scant, and the lower part of the skirt is and I should recken on 50 days anyhow. | not soiled, the narrow upper part can be Better come along. You never did have cut off and thus greater width obtained. no such chance to see fun in all your | When skirts are shortened thus and li " before."

Waa!, I reckon 10 or 20 days won't the man. And he pushed forward to or sacking over moire or bengaline.

add his name to the list. Directly opposite two men sat locking out of a second story window. They were in the law office of Justin Williams, a lifelong citizen of the town An army panic is like unto nothing He was Royal Kenton of Rhode nent university and the junior partner of the law firm of Williams & Kenton, They were uncle and nephew. Kenton had come down about 18 months before. As the relative and partner of a prominent citizen he was treated with courtesy. As a Yankee, fresh from Yankee-

land, he was a subject of criticism, and there was little heart in the hospitality mishers are at work all along the front | If so, almost every man of them had | accorded bim. There could not have of the plateau, but there is no fighting. faced death for hours that day without been. He represented principles an-Another hour slips away. The Fed- flinching. They faced it now, as territagonistic to the south. There was no ago, and there will probably be less in ter erals have waited too long. At noon they field men discharged their muskets and neutral ground in those days. A man years more than there are now, unless the could have carried the position with a threw them into the ditches, as remnants represented not himself, but his secrush. At 1 o'clock they would have met of cavalry commands dashed into the with stubbern resistance, but victory mass, as fieldpieces and limiters and tion were considered to be his. A southerner at the north would have been | wf labor and capital .- Harper's Weekly. Now as the Federal's are ready to move | to have caught the spirit of terror, | looked upon through the same eyes and held responsible to the same extent. 000, and their 10 pieces of artillery lop and rode down every obstruction. | Men liked him as a man, but they de-Men flee like shadows from a plague, tested him as a Yankee.

Well, I am sorry this trouble has fallen upon the country." said the old lawyer as they watched the crowd oppo-"I have long felt that it must come sooner or later, but I hoped it would not be in my day. Nothing can that can be devised. The slik weavernow prevent war.

But everybody appears to think it will end almost as soon as begun," replied Kenton.

They do not stop to reflect," said the lawyer as his face assumed a more serious look. "I am a southerner, and I believe the south has been fully justified in her course, but our people are | fet except undereighing. Fashion has foolishly underestimating the strength | turned in a sensible direction, so far as the foolishly underestimating the strength ficers rode into the mob and shouted and temper of the north. They will not commands and appeals. The panting let us go because we bluster and threatfugitives paused for a moment, but it en. If the south secures a separation, was not to listen, not to obey, not to it will have to be won on the field of feel ashamed of their stilly fears. It was hattle. It was to be, and it has come, to draw a long breath and then dash at | but it is to be deplored." the wall of glistening bayonets. The

'If war comes, business will have to observed Kenton as he looked EU. ed at their breasts, but with one mighty | about the office.

War is here, and our business has wall, harled it down, flung the frag- atready fled," replied Williams, "Matments to right and left, and the stream tial law will soon be proclaimed, and of humanity poured on over the hills there will be no more use for judges, and flowed the faster for its temporary jurors and attorneys. I have wanted to check. It could not be checked again ask you for several days what course you mean to pursue. If it was to be a war of 50 days, six months, or even a year, we might make certain plans, but Let us go back a few weeks and con- it is to be a long and bloody struggle. and this very valley will be a tattle-The thunder of a hundred guns had ground. We may as well close our of been let loose at Charleston, and the fice today as a month bence. Amid south was rushing to arms. One who such excitement as this there can be no has not witnessed the beginning of war call for our services.

'I am a northern man," said Kenton after a moment's thought.

'Yee, they call you a Yankee." "I have cared nothing for politics. ourselves believe that war would be There is a great principle herein involved, but our greatest statemen are While we were delaying the south was divided over it. The south seeks independence from a federation which has become unbearable. The north, or at north raised regiments the south put least a goodly portion of it, denies the right of secession. This coming war is patgn. While the north waited the the consequence. I stand on neutral south possessed itself of fort after fort. ground.

You are neutral today, but you cantread of marching men; every village not be 30 days honce, said the old law-was aroused by the music of the fife and yer as a troubled look came into his of war. Men looked upon the waving that crowd down there? Have you heard any neutral talk among our people? It ing volunteers and the boliday attire and | may not be 10 days before you will be put to the test." "What test?"

"Of your allegiance to one side or the other. Every young man in our town is hastening to volunteer. I am too old to be taken new, but later on I may be forced into the ranks. It will be a war in which the south will need Jeast. The end is marked by thousands her last man. I am not pledged to a southern confederacy, but I um pledged word "Unknown"-those and crape to Virginia. I go with my state. You and tears and desolation. It is 4 o'clock | have come down to cast your lot with us. in the afternoon of one of those never to It is for you to answer whether you are membered now only by gray baired | Think it over, If you wish to go north, cient town of Winchester, in the beau- to remain, you will be asked why you And now for the space of a quarter tiful Shenandoah valley, the garden | don't volunteer. I do not seek to influ-

business matters between us. It may be years before there is any further call for our legal talents in this or any other wears the uniform of a militia captain; Virginia town. Military law will soon

override everything." The old lawyer rose up and passed down stairs on his way home without men crowding up until they stand six | further remark, leaving Royal Kenton in a brown study, which was interrupted 10 minutes later by wild cheering on the street. He went down to ascertain ordered to the front. We want only the cause, and a man who had just volunteered swung his hat and replied: "Hooray! We uns is gwine to send

[TO BE CONTINUED,]

Making Over Old Dresses.

The following practical and timely hints are furnished by Harper's Bazar: In making over last year's dresses of silk or of cloth it is a good plan to use the skirt as an overskirt above a shain skirt of veivet or of silk. If the lower part of the skirt is soiled, it can be removed, as the overskirt curves up almost to the knee on the sides and drops down in front and back only half the distance between the knee and the foot of the lower skirt, leaving the latter showing plainly where it is smoothly banded on the foundation or skirt lining.

This is very pretty in silk skirts of five or six breadths finished with a velvet binding and falling on a velvet lower skirt. Thus a dress of green and brown shot silk, with waving brown stripes, has an overskirt curved up the sides to show a brown velvet sham skirt. The velvet is also used as leg-o' mutton sleeves and as a folded collar, a belt and in pointein front and back like a guimpe. This arrangement may do away with soiled or worn parts of the silk, and the dress may be further renewed by placing horseshoe curves of velvet under the armholes in a way now fashfonable

low in front, can be cut according to the "I don't like to say 20." replied the cloth of a left over dress. If the skirt is pointed, the lower skirts should be of the same color, though a different ma

A Creeper For Baby. One of the latest and best of utility creepers" is very easily made. Gingham is the fabric used. First measure baby's and a lawyer of repute. He was a man | length and breadth, in order to allow the of 55, but carried his age lightly. The little one a chance for freedom of moother was a young man of 24, well | tion. The gingham is then cut bag shape, built and having a plain but kindly 12 by 14 being the popular number of inches. This, when sewed up at the sides Island, a graduate of law at a promp. and bottom, is gathered into a band with buttonholes and buttons. In each lower corner openings have been made. These are henimed and are then ready for the chubby legs. Drawing them up over the child's limbs, you will find the dainty clothes suugly incased and yet the limb of the toddler at libe tv to move at will

White People Leaving the Plains. A curious fact is that there are less white people on the high plains of the

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They Are the Rage This Season and Are Used For Nearly Everything. It seems scarcely possible that satin and moire can long enjoy the tremendous popu larity now accorded them. It is too great to last. They are both shown in a wide range of quality and the latter in every ve

riety of wave and combination of stripe ought certainly to be exempt from the presure of present hard times, since they must have been steadily employed in order t produce the quantity of silk stuffs now de canded by fashion and shown by the shope Silk fabrics are the particular rage this season and are utilized for everythingstreet costumes, wraps, evening gowns wrappers, every article of the feminine tollatter is concerned, and decrees the line and muslin gowns that personally daint women have never discarded, even in th height of the silk underwear fever. The



MOIRE AND EATIN EVENING GOWN. silk petticoat is seen, to be sure, but as t serves the purpose of a second dress skirt it can hardly be called an article of underwear.

Besides satin and moire there are many fancy weaves shown in stiff silks, with self and other colored figures and stripes, and the usual assortment of light summer goods, such as china silks and brocaded taffetas. The latter come in both flowered stripes and scattered sprays, which are usually self-colored. Glace and shot silks seem to be used more capecially for putticoats this season, and the separate bodices in which they appeared so prominently last year are generally made of striped or plain moire or satin. It is said that boutonniere silks - black, sprinkled with small flowers or bouquets in the natural colorswill be much used, and they are certainly very pretty, particularly when made up in

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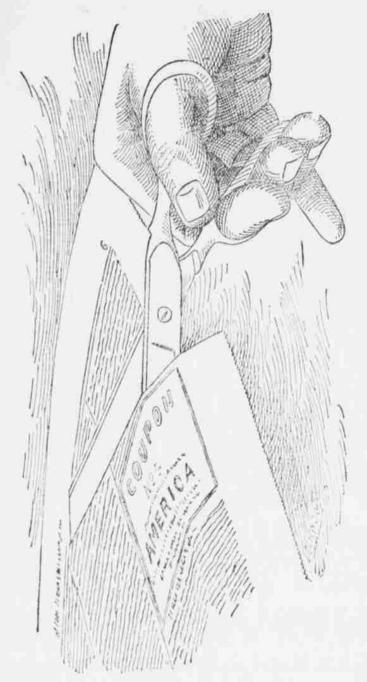


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